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SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S NEWS

The Weather. WARHINGTON, March il.—Forecast for Friday and Saturday: Saturday clearing and colder; fresh southwest to southwists, Spiffing to northwest.

North Carolina—Fair on the coast, showers in interior Friday; Saturday clearing and colder; fresh southwest winds, becoming northwesterly.

here were very helvy rains here yes-day. For some hours in the morning in fell in torrents. It was partly clear the atternoon and at night.

STATE OF THE THERMOMETER.

Richmond.

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Leading business men hold a conference and decide to organize a business men's leagud to promote Richmond's interests and growth—Street Committee leaves Jackson Ward out in apportioning funds for improvement and Mr. Bahen says some plain things—The Chesapeake and Olilo Railroad to have one hundred or more coaches svaliable for hundred for for hundr

North Carolina. s, military company, disband benot up to requirements of inspecJeint committee completes inspecAgricultural and Mechnical ColMcHee and Flich try to get conlon of a motion to quash the bill
timent—William Allen put on trial
life; hard to get a jury—TheDistrict Convention meets in
bero and adjourns until to-morrow;
urn in lead.

General.

Jannese entering Port Arthur harbor to make their first attack. Russian government said to be grieved at this attemnt to stir up bud feeling among the Russians toward America and the Americans in St. Petershurg—Jajanese shoot a Korean spy—Strict orders have been issued by the commanding general of Port Arthur, and soldiers are instructed to shoot down all those who disobey it—Two large trust companies fail, one in Cleveland because of absconding official, and the other in Boston: run on Cleveland because of absconding official, and the other in Boston: run on Cleveland bank offset by Shundant aid from other banks—Six killed outright and five injured tatally in an explosion in a Pennsylvania town—Maynara thinks he will get three million dollars for the Jamestown Exposition and will Not take "not for an answer—Representative Glass to get a committee advuncement—Parker buttons appear on the floor of the House and are caffrily sought after this is the first crop of any sort to come out—Agreement reached among the thiners and mine owners of West Virginia by which the former are to submit to a five and one-half reduction.

THE DENVER FAILS AGAIN BRITISH WHIP

HOSTON, MASS., March 31.—The protected cruiser Denver was given a second government speed trial tost over the Cape Ann course to-day and again failed to reach her contract requirements of securities knots per hour, for average speed being 16.70 knots.

Tidal correction may add slightly to the speed taken on the ship, and sufficiently, the contractors. Noafie and Levy, claim to bring her speed up to the contract requirements.



The 14 advertisements for help published in to-day's Times-Dispatch on

1 Domestic 1 Collector 1 Office 1 Nurse 10 Miscellaneous

mude not unly interests those out of work, but those desiring to improve their positions as well.

MR. KATES RETIRES FROM THE POSTAL

Noted Telegraph Man Surrend-/ ers Superintendency of Postal Telegraph-Cable Company.

WORK NEARLY HALF CENTURY

Some Facts About the Rise and Progress of the Telegraph Business in Virginia.

The retirement of Mr. Joseph W. Kates He will shortly retire from the service of nter other business.

Savannah Charleston Norfolk, and many operating force, and has since managed

The retirement of Mr. Kates from tive service in the telegraph world, calls person now living, and yet he is not

In the Early Days.

Richmond's Ancient Office.

The telegraph facilties of this city at graph office until the occupation of that dekson Ward ...

A Famous Message. He then went to Manasasa Junction, where he was in charge of the telegraph gervice at the time of the battles of Blackburn's Ford and Manasas, and for several weeks did all the work of the office himself. While there Mr. Kates transmitted the famous message of President Jefferson Davis to General Joseph E. Johnston at Winchester, ordering that officer to make a function with General Be Johnston at Whitestar, under the desired at Manassas. The message was sent with great difficulty over a line from Mannassas to Strausburg, which had been completed only a few days

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MR. JOSEPH W. KATES.

BAHENMAKES A HOT SPEECH

Rasps the Street Committee for Leaving Tackson Ward Out of Apportionment.

CUTSHAW'S LIST SMASHED

Messrs. Teefey and Allen Plead in Vain for Madison-Bahen Changes Slate.

	Generally.
Clay Ward .	\$13,000
Lee Ward	14,600
Jefferson War	d 10,000
Madison War	d 6,200
Monroe Ward	
	rd ,10,000

noon, of the \$70,000 appropriated in the budget for this department for the year \$30,000 additional given for paving Frank

Repairs 10,000

The Engineer's Schedule. Colonel Cutshay submitted the follow-ng schedule, which was in accordance with the percentage given each ward

Clay Ward Lee Ward Marshall Ward ... Monroe Ward ... \$58,000.00 12,000,00 \$70,000.00

Mr. J. M. N. Allen was on his feet as soon as it was read, and moved to strike out \$12,000 for repairs and 'tasert \$10,600 in lieu thereof. This was adopted by a chorus of "ayes." This left \$00,000 for streets generally, instead of \$50,000.

Mr. Mann then submitted a motion to

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TO DEVELOP RESOURCES OF RICHMOND

Important New Movement Just Begun.

BUSINESS LEAGUE WILL BE ORGANIZED

Will be Live and Hustling Body, That Will Stir Things Up Generally.

BIG MEETING TO BE HELD SHORTLY

Conference Held Last Night Resulted in Determination to Form League That Will Advertise the City Far and Wide-Need for Move Is Recognized.

Upon one leading and central thought hat is evidently fast-rooted enough to eresis of the city, represented in a con differences-the need, urgent and immewake Richmond, that will keep apacwith the modern quick-step of industrial development, and will make the most of the undoubted and almost unexcelled resources at her command

When it came to the details that will effect this proposed awakening, there thoughtful men, differences of opinion, as to methods, but these were differences that did not a fect the broad ind fundamental proposition. The union

velopment as its platform, the Business Men's League of Richmond was proclaimed, and a discussion of its aims and objects was begun. Without going further into the matter of organization, provision was made for a great massmeeting of business men, to be held in the entry future, when officers will be chosen, a constitution adopted, and a charter prepared. After this the work that it is hoped and believed will revolutionize the business life of the city will begin in dead earnest.

Meeting Last Night.

of Sydnor Pump Com-Thomas Sydnor, of Sydnor Pump Company; Gilbert Minor, of Owens & Minor; E. N. Newman, of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company; Mann S. Valentine, of the Valentine Moat Juice Company; Horace F. Smith, of The Times-Dispatch; E. H. Clowes, of the Bar-Lock Typewriter Company; H. Ellis, of the Smith-Courtney Company and others.

others.

The report of a special committee composed of Messrs, C. W. Saunders, L. C. Younger, Peyton Grymes, C. B. Antrim and Wood outlined a policy for the organization. The committee proposed the formation of a league with a membership of one hundred or more to be made up of retailers, manufacturers, johbers

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APRIL FOOL!

OUTRIGHT

Destruction of "Squib" Works.

Among Killed and Wounded. Two Children.

SCRANTON, PA., March 31.-Six persons are known to have been killed and

sons are known to have been killed and five fatally injured by an explosion in the factory of the Dickson Squib Company, at Priceburg, near here, to-day. The dead are:
LIZZIE BRAY, Priceburg.
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LIZZIE MATPHEWS, Olyphant.
GEORGE CALLAHAN, Priceburg.
TEFRESA CALLAHAN, Priceburg.
Those fatally injured are:
Manile Gilallon.
Martha Haybrown.
Cassle Foultz,
Mottle Heavron.
Oscar Ayser.

Work of a "Squib."

Twenty girls were employed in the fac-ry. What caused the explosion is not rown, but it is stated that one of the

ing.

The Dickson Squib Company occupied only the first floor of the structure, the Callahan family having rooms on the second floor. It was here that the two Callahan children lost their lives.

Thomas Callahan, the father, was at work, and Mrs. Callahan had just left the room when the explosion occurred. The children, aged three years and six months, respectively, were playing on the floor. Both were instantly killed. The building caught fire, and the flames communicated to the two adjoining buildings, one occupied as a hotel and the other as a butcher shop. Both were destroyed.

stroyed.
All of the bodies have been taken from the debrig. The bodies of the dead employes were so badly burned that it was with great difficulty that they could

MEANEST

Five Others Fatally Injured by Desperate Criminal Robs Youth on Way to See Dying Brother_

PANIC AMONG THE WOMEN LURED HIM TO MOUNTAINS

Twenty, Were Employed-Seven Then Put Gin in His Face and Demanded All His Money, Bad Score.

ceived a message Saturday morning, from Having to come to Pulaski, he decided him anything, and would save him hotel bills in Pulaski. Joyos being young and on his first trip, from home, consented to go with him, taking the invitation as an act of kindness.

Drew His Pistol.

Sowers took him to a house about four miles above town; went in all tried to buy a horre, and, upon the refusal of the parties to sell. Sowers drew his pistel and attempted to force them to sell, but without avail. They then left, Sowers telling Jovee that it was only a little further, to his spele's house, about one-half mile from this house. The two sat down and ate-some cakes and potted ham that Joyce had bought. They then crossed a Joyce had bought. They then crossed a spur of the mountain; got on the railroad (Continued on Third Page.)

RUSSIANS FIERY WITH **AMERICANS**

Government Apologizes for Newspaper Talk.

REFUSED OFFER OF SURGICAL AID

Vicksburg's Commander Sends Doctor, Who Was Scornfully Turned Off.

KOREAN SPY SHOT DOWN BY ANGRY JAPANESE

Reports Indicate He Was Shown Little Mercy-Strictest Orders Regarding Port Arthur to be Obeyed on Death Pen-

alty-Russians Claim Food in Plenty.

ABUNDANT FOOD.

Russians Find Plenty in Manchuria-A Clever Device. (By Associated Press.)

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PETERSBURG. March 31.—Trechief of the commissariat department,
Rostkowsky, says that not a pound of
meat or bread is being sent to Mahrehueria, as the cattle and grain available
there are more than sufficient for the
demand, Enormous herds and stores of
flour are being concentrated at Harolin,
About five hundred thousand boxes of
timed meats will be kept at Irkutsk for
timed meats are being put up
in St. Petersburg and at Riga, according
to a German process, by which the contents can be served hot without the use of
ire, the tin being placed in another filed,
with water and laving a false bottom
containing a carbide mixture, which is
fired into the water when it is desired to
do so and brings the contents of the inneg
can to a boiling point.

HAD A LOVE FEAST. Americans and Japanese Cele-

brate at Tokio Signing of Perry Treaty.

Perry Treaty,

(By Associated Press.)

TOKIO. March 31.—At a meeting of Americans and Japanese, held in this city to-day, in commemoration of the fiftieth armiversary of the signing of the Perry treaty between Japan and the United States, an American war charity, called the Perry Memorial Relief Fund, was organized with much enhantsam. The sum of \$37,500 was subscribed at once, and it was decided to organize committees in all the larger cities of the United States.

The fund will be jurned over to a miralister of the imperial household, and it will be disbursed under the direction of the Emperor of Japan, particularly for the purpose of adding the destitute famisiles of soldiers and salters.

Count Okuma, at one time the Japanese premier, made the principal address, at the commemoration exercises. He said as the Japanese became more familiar with the people of the Finied States whey could not but similar than for their

THE LIBETIANS

Negotiations for Fifteen Years Amounted to Nothing-The Mission Attacked.

(By Associated Press.) TUNA, HRITISH INDIA, March 31.— News has been received here of severe fighting, the Tibetians having attacked the British mission under Colonel Young-husband. There were two engagements, and the Tibetians were repulsed with heavy loss.

PEONAGE CASE IN U.S. SUPREME COURT

Circuit Court of Appeals Could Not Agree-Deep Interest in the Result.

(By Associated Press.) MACON, GA., March 31 .-- A Savannah

As has been received and the common of the filter of the southern and the Tibetians were repulsed with the Artists of the British captured the Tibetian camb at the British captured the Tibetian camb at the British captured the Tibetian camb at the British advance had practically been unopposed, the expedition suffered great pardship from the intense could, and it was sometimes found impossible to use the Maxim guns and plates owing to the congening of the oil.

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FIRE WIPES OUT IMMENSE STORE

Six-Story Building of the Goerke Company, Newark, Gutted Yesterday,

(By Associated Press.)

NEWARK, N. J., March 21.—The Broad Street store of the Geerke Company was gutted by fire to-night, entailing a loss or \$100,000. The store, which is six stories in height, has a frontage of fifty feet on Broad Street, with a large eff 200 feet wide on Market Street. The two parts are rendered practically separate by steel shutters. The fire originated in the Broad Street front and was prevented from spreading by the shutters. The fourteen story building of the Prudential Life Insurance Company stands within one hundred feet of the Goerke store and the fire corps of the building poured volumes of water on the flames from above.

New Steamer Service.

COMES TO LIGHT Four in Prison, Three Awaiting Grand Jury and One Indicted

FEARFUL CRIME

in Philadelphia. PHILADELPHIA. PA., March 31 .-

Four persons are in prison, three awaiting the action of the grand Jury and the fourth under indictment on the charge of being accessory to the death of an infant, as a result of Coroner Dugan's crusade against the syndicate of malpractitioners, which, he says, exists in this city. Detectives are following clues develop-

ed at an inquest in the death of Mary B. Sloan and Sarah Hughes, young we men, who died more than a year ago. Mrs. Elizabeth Ashmead, also known

as "Dr. Conde" and "Dr. Moran," is the principal in the case. The coroner de-PHILADELPHIA, PA., March 31.—The Southern Steamed's Company has antonionized that beginning with April 19th it will establish a direct steamer service between this port and Tampa. Pla. The service will be mouthly until business warrents the company placing more cleaners on the line.

ALL PLUNGED OVER SHOSHONE FALLS

I'wo Men and Lady Lose Lives in Horrible Manner-Bodies Not Found. (By Associated Press.)

BOISE, IDAHO, March 31 .- Three per-

sons have plunged 230 feet to their death over the Shoshone Falls of the Snake River. They were suss Marie Willis, Samuel Graham, and a man whose name s unknown Miss Willis sometimes runs the ferry

poat at this point. Last night, Miss Willis took the boat across in response to call. On the return, she found the guido rope was not working properly and put back. Graham and the other man seeing from the opposite side that there was trouble took their skiffs and crossed to the ferryboat. They took Miss Willis om and started back to the south shore. As the boat neared the shore, it filled and went down, all three being lost, No trace of the bodies has been found.